WP(C) 1326/2007

BEFORE

THE HON’BLE MR. JUSTICE IA ANSARI

Heard Mr. PP Baruah, learned counsel for the petitioners, and Mr. MR Pathak, learned Standing counsel, Education Department, appearing on behalf of the respondent Nos. 1 to 5. Heard also Ms. A Verma, learned Standing counsel, Finance Department, for the respondent Nos. 6 and 7.

The writ petitions are Assistant Teachers of LP Schools and their grievances are that they are not being given their due salaries by orders of Finance Department, Government of Assam. The grievances of these writ petitioners are covered by the directions of the Court given in the Judgment and Order, dated 14-08-2003, in WP(C) No. 2844/1999 & 52 others and the Judgment and order, dated 06-04-2006, in WP(C) No. 2147/1999 and 71 others. In terms of the directions given in the said writ petitions, the Department of Education has already constituted a Committee, in terms of Notification No. ELC/WP(C) 2147/99/437/118, dated 22-08-2006.

Considering the matter in its entirety and in the interest of justice, this writ petition is disposed of with direction to the respondents concerned to submit the cases of the writ petitioners to the said Committee for its examination and appropriate decision/action. The whole exercise, so directed, shall be completed within a period of six months from today. If the petitioners feel aggrieved by the decision, which may be arrived at by the respondents/authorities concerned, the petitioners shall be at liberty to take recourse to such provisions of law as may be permissible.